

SENATE QUIZ INTO NAVY AWARDS NEAR END; NO ONE HURT

INQUIRY, IT IS SAID, TO LEAVE EVERYBODY'S SKIRTS CLEAR—C. O. P. COMMITTEEMEN JOIN IN SIGNING MINORITY REPORT.

Washington, March 8.—The war awards to navy officers of war decorations drew nearer a conclusion last night when Chairman Page of the Senate naval committee made public his trio of reports—the investigation of the subcommittee produced.

The three Republican members joined in the majority report, which sharply criticizes Secretary Daniels in some respects, while the two Democratic subcommittee individual reports defending the secretary's course and meeting their attack in turn, at Rear Admiral William S. Sims, the most prominent figure in the controversy, stirred up over navy medals and crosses.

In one respect the three reports are unique. They are agreed on the point, that no permanent harm can come to naval morale as a result of the awards or the controversy, and that enlisted men received too much a share of recognition for their services.

The majority report, signed by Senators Hale, McCormick and Bradley, accuses Mr. Daniels of not having fully advised officers as to the rules in making awards and asserts that his policy of deprecating officers who lost ships would be detrimental to the navy.

Senator Pittman, in the first minority report, characterized the investigation as a tempest in a teapot, too ridiculous to be mentioned in connection with the morale of a fighting navy.

In the second minority report Senator Trammell declared flatly that many medals had not been awarded, as Admiral Sims had contended, and asserted that Mr. Daniels followed established naval customs in changing recommendations of his subcommittees as those officers themselves had done with proposals of their junior officers.

The majority report reached the following conclusions:

That Secretary Daniels did not make known to the service his policies as to awards, especially with regard to the relative importance of duty on shore and at sea. Fewer changes would have been necessary later had he done so.

That the secretary did not ascertain from the officers who recommended honor the relative order of merit and did not himself give sufficient consideration to the question of injury to morale and depreciation of the value of awards resulting.

That Secretary Daniels did not require a sufficiently high standard of meritorious conduct in conferring honors on officers who lost ships, and was more zealous to further the interests of commanders who lost ships than of other commanders who, instead of losing their ships, destroyed or seriously damaged the ships of the enemy."

That the statute governing naval awards should be amended to avoid future controversies.

The majority report laid stress on its statement that no attempt had been made to ascertain the order of merit among those recommended for decorations. This was "most unfortunate," it added, and the other believed commanding officers were best able to gauge relative merit.

Senator Pittman contended that the investigation was unnecessary, because the naval award matter was being reinvestigated by the Knight board by direction of Secretary Daniels when the investigation committee was appointed.

"Take most congressional investigations of a similar character," he said, "it served no beneficial purpose."

The airing of the personal grievances of an admiral and giving publicity to critical and depreciatory statements made by the general with regard to the accomplishments of the navy during the war tended toスマッシュ a glory never before attained."

Admiral Sims believed, the senator said, that the distinguished service medal should only be awarded to a few of the highest officers in the navy and that it would be cheapened by awarding it to junior officers and enlisted men.

Criticizing Admiral Sims for having made a special point of alleged injuries to six members of his staff, Senator Pittman declared that the award of a distinguished service medal to Commander D. W. Badley, Secretary Daniels' brother-in-law, about whom much of the controversy centered, was justified.

The senator also assailed Admiral Sims' conduct before the committee, which he said, would lead a cynic to believe that the officer "was deeply impressed with British policies and practices, and more familiar with British ideas, customs and mannerisms than with those of his own country."

Senator Trammell, Democrat, Florida, in a separate report said that Secretary Daniels in changing recommendations made by commanding officers and the Knight board, was following established naval custom and the same policy was pursued by Ad-

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KITTY LAMBERTON LETTERS

Article No. 20.

IN WHICH KITTY LEARNS TO LIKE CHRIS ALBERTSON.

He Is Elected President of a Smart Club but Is Not Overexcited by the Honor.

DEAREST SISTER—Since my blood is starting, I'll open my basket soon, just like Chris. Also, this has been days as unbridled enthusiasm, now me and him to the dismally quiet of each other than Major Munson, who rumors would suffice morning better than being Mrs. Sims.

Chris' letter, though, is getting along most smoothly in business, just as she is in her business and she is with the men. The other evening at the yearly board meeting of the Lions Club I had been elected president of the very important position occurring in the club since the retirement of Mrs. McDaniel's husband, and although his name was given every one of our visitors, for whom I had to take care of them, and when I had arranged to have them act in the interest of our mutual friends, will be surprised at what Chris' husband does.

"Young engineer, Chris has been awarded the largest contract in the West, and in a most enviable environment other engineers' peering influence." I didn't even budge after my letter, Jim's disappearance. Instead, said how fine it was to know such a fellow. All the same, the news must be good to him, at least strengthen his hold and restore.

A fellow measured by the other follows. Chris, by the way, he doesn't make a show of himself when they have him.

Modest. Admits Honors.

Now, I still have thoughts that you are the best. But then, I have been a modesty for a thousand years. And nothing that you do seems to round

IN THE MOVIES

ARTISTS SOON TO APPEAR AT THE LOCAL HOUSES.

June Caprice



Her Love Confessional.

The Capellani-Patric star declares she never told it to a living soul, but with her sympathetic, silent little friend Pathekin, it is different. He'll never divulge so sacred a confidence. And well give a nice rest apiece to know just what June did reveal. In those days of "dilemma, emotionalism, the real honest-to-goodness heart stuff is very popular. Everybody will listen. And that is the very reason June was so particular in selecting her audience.

With most congressional investigations of a similar character, he said,

Stander Trammell maintained, that the morale of the navy remained unimpaired.

HAS GREAT FAITH IN COCONUT

German Who Has Tried It Declares It to Be the Ideal Food for Sustenance of Man.

One of the strangest characters in the world is August Engelhardt, a young German who lives on the Island of Rukobia, in the German New Guinea territory. He comes out of the coconut, and sleeps in a bed of sand.

Engelhardt, a singularly homely man of about thirty, is passing great wealth in a charming personality. He is known as the "Apostle of the Coconut," on account of the desire he has to let the coconut be the sole food of man, and should sometime be so for all other lands, responsible for the bad position in the health and mind of man.

The "Apostle" claims to have over 500 disciples in America and may the wre is over he intends to have 10,000 human and come back to the old world and proclaim his teachings. He is also a "team worshipper" using entirely in the open air, and adopting the simple dress of the natives consisting merely of a "lava-lava" or loincloth, and when in full dress, that is, when he receives visitors, this attire is completed by the addition of a wrist watch and a walking stick.

Reminded Him of Father.

A Battle Creek boy, seven years old, was run over by a train, but after it had passed and when the bystanders rushed forward to pick up the remains, the lad sat up, shouting a little, and said he wanted his mamma. His injuries were trifling, and he probably judged by the noise that his dad had been thrashing him again.—Detroit News.

Kitty Speculates on the Men Women Would Marry and the Men They Do.

Isem which Monroe has said is an excellent quality in a husband.

I often wonder, Peaches, if there doesn't come a situation of a man who could take her completely off her toes and who if she married him would lead her blindfolded into life.

Henry Beach has purchased the Mattocks farm of 100 acres west of Toledo for \$10,000 per acre. Mr. Beach had previously bought the Belvoir forty adjoining which makes him 140 acres in one place. With the 100 acres he doesn't feel far from the home place.

Mr. Beach now owns 240 acres of land toward real estate.

The evangelistic meetings led by Rev. Walter Spangler began a week ago last Sunday night in the Congregational church. A good-sized audience was present, the Methodist people having kindly adjourned their evening services and all were pleased with the frank, kindly bearing of the evangelist and the message which he brought.

Word has just been received by Mr. Gandy of the death of his wife, C. D. Fisher, on February 1, 1920, at her home in Yokohama, Japan. It was an attack of influenza that carried her off in a very few days. She has been a missionary in Japan for nearly forty years but had been back to America on furlough several times. Mrs. Fisher was born near Mt. Pleasant, Ill., and that was the home of her beloved. Mr. Fisher was buried in Tonica a number of times and will be remembered in some other city beside here.

Russell Zener Post, No. 260, American Legion made such a success of their立体 meet two weeks ago that they will stage another at Tonica Hall next Tuesday night, March 3. There will be volley ball, boxing and basketball. The New York Reception will again try for Juniors with the squad from San Francisco, playing basketball and several other exciting contests will be staged during the evening. Admission is 25 cents. And you get your money's worth too.

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